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**IN THE ABSTRACT:**

Please substitute the Abstract with the Abstract attached as an Appendix.

## **APPENDIX**

### **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A portable flexible carrier for drinking fluid comprises a flexible fluid container (2) entirely encased within an outer separable cover (1) produced from a chemically hardened material which is impermeable to chemical toxins in liquid or gaseous form, biologically agents and radioactive particles. A tube (4) is connected to an opening of the flexible container (2) and extending beyond the confines of the cover (1) interior through which drinking fluid can be removed by suction from the container. The entire length of the tube (4) is encased within a conduit (5) produced from the chemically hardened material and an ON/OFF valve (6) in communication with the tube is provided to enable fluid to flow under suction from the carrier interior to the conduit. Means (19) is provided for selectively sealing the cover interior and its contents from the atmosphere.